

## CHILDREN FORCED TO PLAY IN STREET

Expert Shows 70 Per Cent of Them Go There for Amusement.

## HALF POPULATION VISITS THEATRES

Weekly Attendance Estimated at 62,467, While Same Number of People Stroll Weekly in Broad Street—Need of Playgrounds Strongly Urged.

Much of the large amount of money Richmond is spending for education will be wasted unless speedy provision is made for recreation for the children outside of the schools, to prevent the formation of detrimental habits. The city could save much of the money it is spending for the care and reform of its delinquents if it spent more to provide playgrounds to prevent so many delinquents.

Such are the conclusions reached by an expert who has been investigating the playgrounds and recreation conditions in Richmond.

It may be startling to know that 70 per cent of the children of Richmond out of doors were in the streets. It may be interesting to know that obscene and suggestive pictures were found at parks frequented by children. Strolling on Broad Street furnishes the recreation for 62,000 people each week.

**Need Public Library.**

The children of Richmond do not read as much as do those in cities where there are good public libraries. This is one of the needs of the hour. Expert supervision of playing, with plans for recreation for all the children, is imperative. It will take years to work it all out, in the meantime there are the streets which could, without inconvenience to traffic, be set aside for playing in certain hours of each day.

The expert further found that Richmond has a density as great as that of some cities two or three times its size. Also, in his judgment, two-thirds to three-fourths of the moving picture shows have entertainments classed as either good or harmless.

**Report Is Received.**

The committee on recreation and playgrounds, organized last March with Colonel Eugene C. Massie as chairman and Julien H. Hill as secretary and treasurer, has received the report of the recreation survey ordered by it. The purpose of the survey was to find out just what the needs of the city in the way of developing wholesome recreation, just what the city possessed in the way of facilities and supervisory force to meet the need, and to work out a plan whereby the recreation work should adequately meet the needs of the young people here.

The committee does not plan to supplant the work of several other organizations which have for a long time been interested in the playground situation in Richmond, but to enlarge and extend the work undertaken by them, in co-operation with all individuals and groups of citizens who are interested in pushing the matter throughout the city.

The committee consists of a number of business men, among them Henry W. Rountree, T. M. Carrington, Charles Hutzler, Dr. J. M. Carrington, L. McK. Jenkins, F. Duke, besides sixty or seventy others who have given their support to the work of the committee.

The committee secured Rowland Haynes, field secretary of the Playground and Recreation Association of America, who has made similar studies in Milwaukee, Kansas City and other large communities, to make the expert investigation.

Mr. Haynes, in a report of his findings in a fifty-page report, which he submitted to the committee, Mr. Haynes says that he knows of no city of the size of Richmond which has up to date such a complete and thorough survey of recreation conditions as that made at the instigation of the Richmond committee.

The entire report has been condensed into a summary and conclusions, as follows:

**Activities in City.**

1. From the reports of school children from all parts of the city it appears that outdoor sports occupy 62.5 per cent of the recreation life of boys in Richmond and 36.5 per cent of the recreation life of girls; that much of this form of recreation has to be carried on in the streets; that girls have less to do in the way of recreation than boys; that at this season of the year (May, 1912) moving picture shows attract many school children, but compared with other forms occupy less than one-tenth of the recreation life of this typical group of Richmond children. The papers showed that colored boys engage in outdoor sports about as much as white boys, but that they loaf on the street more, and that colored girls do more calling picture friends and going to picture shows than white girls. Reading plays a much smaller part in the recreation of Richmond children than in cities which have good public libraries.

In these papers the children give as their chief play troubles the lack of any place to play except the streets and interference by the police when they try to play on the streets. Nevertheless, they show that playing on the corner and loitering on the streets are important parts of their play life.

## JOHNSON CONTINUES FIGHT

Postpones Return Home and Will Fight Roosevelt's Engagement.

Chicago, October 20.—Governor Johnson left here for the East this afternoon at 2:30 P. M. over the Pennsylvania lines. He will complete arrangements to fill Colonel Roosevelt's speaking dates in the East during the remainder of the campaign and direct the fight. The complete itinerary has not been given. He will travel by special train.

Before leaving, the Governor issued a statement directed to the citizens of California explaining his reasons for returning to the East. It follows:

"My campaign in the East was concluded last night in Chicago and my preparations had been made for departure to-day to arrive in our State Wednesday next. I had expected to devote the remainder of the time before election to California.

"The attempted assassination of Colonel Roosevelt has completely altered all of our plans.

"I had felt that it was my duty to return to my native State, but my enlistment in this cause for which we strive was not for a day but for all time, and when the leader of that cause was suddenly stricken and I found him helpless here it seemed to have fallen to me to be part of his burden and to continue the struggle as we had planned for him to do.

"Reluctantly, therefore, for there are many reasons for my return that may be readily understood, I have yielded to the request of the Progressive party of my nation and shall in the near future, continue this great battle that means so much for our humanity."

## BIGGEST GUNS ON RECORD

Germany Plans to Have Most Powerful Fighting Craft in World.

Berlin, October 20.—From authoritative official quarters it is learned that the German navy has decided to surpass the fourteen-inch guns mounted on the latest type United States super-dreadnoughts of the Texas class and to install fifteen-inch weapons on its own latest super-dreadnoughts.

The guns, which will be of fifty-calibre length, will throw projectiles weighing 165 pounds and will fire and away sustain the most powerful weapon ever placed on a warship.

The so-called Kaiser class already carry fourteen-inch guns. Two of them, the Kaiser and the Friedrich de Grosse, are ready for service, and three others will be completed by April, 1913.

The vessels which have to carry the fifteen-inch guns are now on the stocks and are expected to be completed by June, 1915.

The tabulation not only discloses for the first time that Germany is arming her newest dreadnoughts with the biggest guns on record, but also shows that these weapons, which are of course, manufactured by the Krupp works, will be of vastly longer life than the most powerful Vickers and Armstrong guns, employed by England. The latter are credited with a life of only thirty rounds, while the German fourteen and fifteen-inch guns, it is said, can fire 200 rounds.

## WILSON RETURNS HOME

Has Made Last Campaign Speech Until Roosevelt Recovers.

Princeton, N. J., October 20.—Governor Woodrow Wilson returned to his home here to-night, having made his last campaign speech, he said until Colonel Roosevelt shall have recovered. The Governor said he had made no plans for the immediate future of the remainder of the campaign; that requests for speeches were many, but that he was firm in his intention of keeping off the stump while one of his opponents was incapacitated. He probably will express his views on public questions through statements and announcements. The Governor rode home with his family. They had attended the Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church. On the train a number of people recognized the Governor. Mr. Wilson will divide most of his time in the next few days between Princeton and the farmhouse in Trenton.

## FATAL RACE CLASH

One Negro Killed in Battle With Whites at Coolmont.

Nashville, Tenn., October 20.—One negro was killed and a white man and two negroes wounded in a race clash near Coolmont, Tenn., yesterday. To-day it was reported that Sheriff Shrum and a posse of deputies have the situation under control.

The trouble was precipitated because of the sending of threatening letters to a Coolmont magistrate. The magistrate recently had fined seven negro miners \$10 each for gambling. White miners alleged that the negro gamblers were the authors of the threatening letters.

Several shots were exchanged between the negroes and white miners Saturday afternoon, one of the latter being wounded. Last night the negro quarters were fired on and one negro killed and two wounded.

## STRUCK BY MAN'S BODY

Chicago Youth Badly Hurt on Train Victim Is Taken to Hospital.

Chicago, October 20.—Frank Schaefer, nineteen years old, suffered injuries which may cause his death last night when he was struck by a man's body hurled fifty feet through the air by a fast Chicago, Burlington and Quincy train at Riverside, a suburb. The body was that of Frank Johnson, of whom little was known.

Walter Arden, the only witness to the accident, thought Schaefer had been struck by a mail bag and ran for a night watchman. The two found Johnson's body and Schaefer lying near it suffering from concussion of the brain and probably internal injuries. The engineer failed to see the accident and reached Aurora before he was notified of it.

## CHILD IS KIDNAPPED

Eight-Year-Old Girl Taken by Two Women.

Pittsburgh, October 20.—Ethel Barr, aged eight, daughter of William Barr, Ellwood City, was kidnapped by two women while on her way home.

Allice Metheny saw the kidnapping and obtained the name of Mrs. Howard. The kidnappers threw red paper into their faces, ran to the Harmony way and escaped.

## SERIOUS BATTLE NOT YET FOUGHT

All Engagements in East Regarded as Minor Affairs.

## RUMORS FROM EAST ARE CONFLICTING

Constantinople and Sofia Both Busy Issuing Denials of Reported Fighting and Invasions. Punishment Threatened to Those Who Circulate Inventions.

London, October 20.—No really serious fighting has yet been reported from the seat of war. The Montenegrins have captured Plava and Gusinje, and the Greeks have occupied Ellassona; but these are regarded as minor affairs in which no real resistance was offered. On the Serbian and Bulgarian frontiers the situation is little changed. An unconfirmed report says the Bulgarians have captured Kirik-Kiliseh; but, like similar reports, this is probably untrue.

From both Constantinople and Sofia are issued constant denials of successes claimed by the respective opponents. For instance, an official statement comes to-night from Sofia declaring that all the reported Turkish invasions of Bulgarian territory are pure inventions, while on the previous day the Turkish government denied the capture of Turkish troops by Montenegrins at Tush.

An official report from representation has become so serious that the authorities at Sofia have issued a decree threatening summary punishment by martial law to those who circulate such inventions.

The Serbian advance in the direction of Utkup encounters little resistance, and it is reported that the Serbian headquarters are being slowly transferred from Nish to Vranja. In this district heavy rains are impeding operations. Large numbers of war correspondents and many military attaches are starting for the front to-morrow. They will work under great difficulties, owing to the severe restrictions imposed. According to a Belgrade dispatch, the Bulgarian government declines to permit military attaches to join the general staff.

## Strategic Point Taken.

Belgrade, October 20.—The Serbian army under the crown prince has captured Ruyia Heights, a strategic position to the south of Bujanoratz, some miles below Vranja.

An official report from the general staff at Nish says the Serbians have taken all the trenches in the Turkish territory around Vranja, and the Turks have been driven back across Movra Valley.

Details have been received of a treacherous act by Albanians on the night of the 18th inst. The forty miles to the south of Nish, on Thursday, Albanian irregulars who constituted the attacking party were repulsed and hoisted a white flag. A Serbian captain with a detachment approached the irregulars, who opened fire, killing an officer and twelve men and wounding forty. The Serbian artillery immediately shelled the enemy, killing 200.

## Plava Captured.

Cettinje, Montenegro, October 20.—It is officially announced that the Montenegrin forces captured the town of Plava yesterday. The battle lasted two days.

## Turks Dislodged.

Athens, October 20.—After a four hours' engagement, the Greeks yesterday dislodged the Turks from the strong positions which they had taken in the defense of Ellassona, at the foot of Olympus, and occupied the town.

Crown Prince Constantine was in practical command and received a baptism of fire. The Greek troops showed great courage. The losses were small.

The Turks retired toward Sarandopora Pass, where the main forces had concentrated. The Greeks occupy all the heights to the north of Ellassona, and a decisive battle is imminent.

## Investment Proclaimed.

Washington, October 20.—An investment of the Turkish littoral from the entrance to the Gulf of Arta to Port Goumetiza has been proclaimed by the Greek government, according to advices received by the State Department to-day from Minister Schurmann at Athens. The action apparently was taken by the commander of the Grecian naval forces as a military movement, rather than as a blockade of the coast, although it might amount to a blockade.

## Between Back to Forts.

Sofia, October 20.—The Bulgarian forces operating against Adrianople have driven the Turks back to the forts forming the outer line of the defenses. They took 100 prisoners. The general advance of the Bulgarians continues. Several positions on the heights were taken at the bayonet point. In the villages the Turks are seizing Bulgarian officials and holding them for ransom. In replying to a telegram from his Cabinet, King Ferdinand sent the following message: "Impressed as I have always been with profound confidence in the Bulgarian star, I am now convinced that our incomparable and valiant army sprang from a people like the Bulgarians whose self-sacrifice for their national ideals is without equal in history will light and destroy the eternal enemy of the Bulgarian race. I am confident that the other side of the Rila-Rhodope and Rhodope Mountains will at last receive light from the sun of liberty. Long live the valiant and victorious Bulgarian army. Long live the valiant Bulgarian people."

## BECKER IS GOING ON WITNESS STAND

Accused Police Lieutenant Will Tell His Own Story.

## COUNSEL YIELDS TO HIS WISHES

Defendant Anxious to Give Jury His Version of Gambler Rosenthal's Murder, and Is Confident That He Will Be Acquitted—Finish Case This Week.

New York, October 20.—Police Lieutenant Charles Becker will take the witness stand in his own behalf and defense, in his trial on the charge of instigating the murder of Gambler Rosenthal, according to John F. McIntyre, his chief counsel. He stated to-day that he had yielded to his client's desire in the matter, and that Becker's story would be heard within the next two or three days.

"We have finally decided to allow Becker to testify," said his attorney. "He has been anxious to do so all along, but we have not thought it necessary. He wants to clear himself, however, by his own testimony. He will tell the whole story. He will swear to his innocence of any participation in the crime and will explain his associations with Jack Rose and other gamblers. He will show that Rose was his stool pigeon in gathering evidence against gambling places, and that his association with other gamblers was also in connection with his duties as head of the strong arm squad."

Although he is anxious to testify, according to persons who visited him in the Tombs to-day, Becker is confident of acquittal. He expressed the belief, it was said, that the jurors who have heard the testimony given in his defense already have been convinced that he is the victim of a conspiracy on the part of Jack Rose, "Bridge" Weber and Harry Vallon, the trio of self-confessed accomplices to the murder, to save their own lives. In support of the claims of the defense that Becker and Rose, at least, had a motive for killing Rosenthal, two witnesses have testified that they heard them threaten the life of the gambler a month before the murder, while another swore that he had heard Rose exculpate the police lieutenant of all connection with the crime.

Mr. McIntyre promises to put on the stand a newspaper man, who, he says, will establish an alibi for Becker for the early morning hours after the murder. It was thought likely to-night that the case would be in the hands of the jury by Thursday night, although the defense still has a score of witnesses to call.

## LONG SEA TRIP OF BOTTLE

Thrown Into Ohio River Five Years Ago, Found Off San Diego.

Louisville, Ky., October 20.—A tightly corked bottle containing her name and address was thrown into the Ohio River nearly five years ago by Miss Nora Lea, of this city, who learned that it had been picked up off San Diego, Cal. The under, Charles Collins of Toledo, sent Miss Lea the slip of paper she had put in the bottle, saying he had fished it out of Coronado Bay while on a visit to California.

Captain John F. C. Hedgewald, United States Army, of Louisville, who was attracted by the incident, will probably make a report to the United States Coast and Geodetic Survey, believing the bottle passed down the Ohio, into the Mississippi, through the Gulf of Mexico, then across the Atlantic, Indian and Pacific Oceans before it was finally washed up on the coast of California.

## Off to Deliver Speeches.

Washington, October 20.—Secretary Wilson, of the Department of Agriculture, left to-day for the Middle West to deliver a series of political speeches. He said to-day it was not the intention of President Taft to announce a successor to Dr. Harvey W. Wiley as chief of the Bureau of Chemistry until after the election.

## Not a Car Move.

Columbia, S. C., October 20.—Not a single street car moved in Columbia to-day, the second day of the strike of street railway employees. So far as is known no steps have been taken to secure a settlement of the strike. No disorder was reported.

## Season's Coldest Weather Is Coming

Washington, October 20.—Fair weather will prevail over most of the country during the next several days, according to the weekly bulletin issued to-night by the Weather Bureau. Local rains are likely to occur in Eastern States to-morrow night or Tuesday.

"The next general storm to cross the country," says the bulletin, "will appear in the far West about Wednesday, prevail over the Middle West Friday or Saturday and the Eastern States on the 24th of the week. This disturbance will be preceded by rising temperature, succeeded by rain on the Pacific Coast and in the Southern States, and by rain and snow in the Northern States. It will be followed by a change to the colder weather of the season, the cold waves making their appearance in the Northwest Saturday or Sunday."

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## SOLDIERS REVOLT AND JOIN REBELS

Refugees at Fort Ulua Fired On by Loyal Gunboats.

## SEVERAL KILLED; MANY WOUNDED

Diaz, Head of Revolution, Looks at New Movement Through Optimistic Eyes—Certain That Federal Warships and Men Will Desert to His Standard.

Vera Cruz, Mex., October 20.—The soldiers of the Twenty-first Battalion, guarding Fort Ulua, located on an island in the local harbor, have revolted and joined the revolutionary forces of Felix Diaz.

The gunboats Bravo and Morelos opened a fire on the refugees, killing several and wounding others. The soldiers of the garrison remained inactive. The situation is serious at Fort Ulua is also used as a penitentiary.

Until the fire was opened by the Bravo and Morelos following the desertion of the garrison at Fort Ulua, it was decidedly difficult to understand the attitude of the gunboats. Commodore Asueta, commanding the warships still loyal to the government, kept his guns and searchlights trained incessantly on the city, allowing no communication between the boats and shore.

Felix Diaz must regard his chance for a revolutionary movement through optimistic eyes. To-day he declared that the officers and crews of the gunboats here are with him and that Commodore Asueta himself had promised to hand his forces over, only changing his mind at the last moment before the Diaz movement was launched.

When asked why his shore batteries did not fire on the Federal warships, General Diaz replied that this was wholly unnecessary. He felt that it would be tantamount to foolishly disabling the gunboats which he feels certain will enlist in his cause shortly. He declared he daily sent the crews water, provisions and money.

General Diaz further believes the gunboat Progresso, whose whereabouts has not been publicly known to-day, shelled and took the important port of Cosatlan, while the other two gunboats of the Tehuantepec Railway. He said the local garrison was left in command of the rebel attorney, Colonel Guevara.

To-day General Diaz sought official recognition for his propaganda by the United States government. He said he has represented his cause to the authorities at Washington through the American consul at Vera Cruz, claiming that his possession of two important seaports and an army of approximately 2,000 men entitled him to this recognition.

When asked if he expected an engagement with the Federals, Diaz replied in the negative. Many Federal chiefs, he believes, are about to join his forces and others are too much in sympathy with his cause to offer him battle. At least, he said, he does not expect a clash with the Federals to-day or to-morrow.

## Confers With Diaz.

Vera Cruz, October 20.—The United States cruiser Des Moines, in command of Captain Charles F. Hughes, steamed into port during the night. An officer from the warship visited General Felix Diaz this morning and arranged an interview on behalf of Captain Hughes. General Diaz then visited the Des Moines, where the American captain and the leader of the new revolt had a long conference, the nature of which has not been divulged.

While the Diaz revolutionists hold the city and the Federals have taken up positions on the outskirts, there has been no coming together of the two opposing forces as yet.

The German and Russian ministers to Mexico, who arrived on the steamer Segurana, left to-day for Mexico City on a special train supplied by General Diaz. In the firing last night between the gunboats and Ulua Fort, a man operating a searchlight on a gunboat was killed. The Ward Line steamer, Segurana, on her arrival here, was warned by the government not to discharge its cargo. To-day Captain Jones, of the steamship, was ordered by the company to unload, and declares his intention of doing so. The Segurana has on board arms and ammunition for the government which will be seized by General Diaz if landed. Great interest centres in the attitude which the commodore will assume in connection with the discharge of the cargo, and what measures will be adopted by the Des Moines.

Other American warships are expected to reach here at any time. The Spanish consul has sent out wireless messages to passing steamers to proceed here to take aboard Spanish subjects in case of bombardment.

Alvaredo, a minor port about thirty miles south of Vera Cruz, was captured last night by Major Zorape, a revolutionary officer. Tampam, 145 miles northwest of Vera Cruz, has declared in favor of the revolution, the authorities there, together with 250 veterans and 250 armed volunteers, taking part in the movement. The rebel generals, Aguilar and Delahave, are reported to be moving from the north to attack General Beltran's rear. Beltran has 2,500 men around Vera Cruz, while the revolutionists have more than 1,500 within the city, and 2,000 with General Aguilar and Delahave. A German liner has arrived here to take off German subjects in case of bombardment.

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## FIRE IN COTTON HOLD

Merchants and Miners Vessel Raced Into Cape Lookout.

Beaufort, N. C., October 20.—The Merchants and Miners steamship Berkshire, bound from Savannah for Philadelphia, which raced into Cape Lookout Cove early to-day with her cotton hold afire, is now anchored within 200 yards of shore, with passengers and crew safe aboard. From the position in which the ship lays, all on board could be landed at any time in any weather, and no alarm is felt. It is believed that the ship will be able to continue her trip to Philadelphia to-morrow or Tuesday.

Wireless calls for Cape Lookout, Captain Hart had the cotton hatch opened to-day and turned several streams of water upon the blazing cargo. Some of the cotton was brought on deck, but the crew will only attempt to keep the fire under control until assistance arrives. The revenue cutter Seminole, summoned by wireless, was expected to reach scene to-night and a wrecking steamer has been dispatched from Norfolk. The Berkshire sailed from Savannah Friday with a small number of passengers and a cargo consisting largely of cotton. Fire was discovered in her forward hold shortly before midnight last night when she was off the North Carolina coast, forty-three miles northwest of Cape Lookout.

Wireless calls for assistance brought alongside the Clyde liner Apache, only twenty-five miles away, and also bound for Philadelphia. Had the situation been critical passengers and crew could have been transferred from the Berkshire to the Apache without difficulty, but as his ship was in immediate danger Captain Hart decided to make for Cape Lookout Cove. Later the Apache resumed her voyage.

The Berkshire, built in 1881, is one of the oldest vessels in the coastwise passenger service. Her hull is iron and she is 250 feet long, with a beam of 35.5, and net tonnage of 1,500.

## En Route to Vessel's Aid.

Norfolk, Va., October 20.—The steamers Frederick and Merrimac, also of the Merchants and Miners Line, are reported to be en route to the Berkshire's aid, and one of them, it is said, will take her passengers on board and proceed to Philadelphia.

It is claimed there were twenty-one passengers. It is claimed there was so much static in the air last night that wireless communication at sea was greatly interfered with.

## FORTY PERSONS BURNED

Crowd Enveloped in Flames From Exploding Automobile.

Petaluma, Cal., October 20.—Forty persons were burned severely in an automobile explosion to-day which may cost the lives of Mayor Hartman, of this town, and three others.

A crowd gathered about a burning automobile that had been dragged from a garage. Mayor Hartman, who is a former chief of the fire department, was trapped upon the fire alarm and attacked the blaze with a chemical extinguisher. The Mayor was thrown forty feet by the explosion which ensued.

James Mott, Maurice and W. Brandon were enveloped in flames and rescued a few moments later at the point of death. The crowd was swept by a blast of flame, and from this it was learned that the fire alarm and attacked the blaze with a chemical extinguisher. The Mayor was thrown forty feet by the explosion which ensued.

## CANAL CONFERENCE

Commercial Bodies and Railroads of South Will Participate.

Atlanta, Ga., October 20.—Plans have been perfected for a Panama Canal conference to be held here November 26 and 27 and to be participated in by commercial bodies and railroads of the South. The conference will be held under the auspices of the Atlanta Chamber of Commerce, and is expected to have an important bearing on commercial interests in this section in connection with the opening of the canal to traffic.

Members of the Isthmian Canal Commission and Professor Johnson, of the University of Pennsylvania, who has made a study of the effect of the canal upon currents of trade, are expected to be among the speakers.

## ONE MAN PROBABLY KILLED

Chief of Police and Deputies in Running Battle With Number of Men.

Somerset, Ky., October 20.—A running battle, in which one man is believed to have been killed, occurred near here to-day between Chief of Police H. G. Waddle, of Somerset, and his deputies, and a number of men said to be relatives of James Phelps, whom Waddle was bringing to Somerset under arrest. The exchange of shots came after a demand that Phelps be released.

The prisoner, who is wanted for the killing of Riley Price several months ago, is in the jail here. None of the officers' party was injured. One of the attacking party was seen to fall and is thought to have been mortally hurt.

## MENACE TO NAVIGATION

Bodies of Dead Whales Adrift in Bering Sea.

Seattle, October 20.—Captain Louis Knutson, of the schooner Bender Brothers, which arrived from Bethel, Alaska, yesterday, said that bodies of whales adrift in Bering Sea and Akutan Harbor were a menace to navigation.

Whales were slaughtered by hunters in Bering Sea this year. Captain Knutson said, and their bodies were adrift after the oil had been taken. He said there were nearly 200 whales' bodies in Akutan Harbor, and 100 were adrift in Bering Sea, when the Bender sailed. It was estimated that they averaged 100 tons in weight.

## MORE THAN 1,000 DEAD

Typhoid Carries Great Disaster to Philippine Islands.

Manila, October 20.—The typhoid which swept over several of the Philippine islands resulted in the death of more than 1,000 persons. The bodies of fifteen Philippine and Spaniards came ashore from the foundering of a small vessel. The typhoid wiped out towns of Bogo, Davao, Toledo, Zamboanga and Marikina.

## COLONEL LEAVES FOR HOME TO-DAY

All Arrangements Made for His Trip to Oyster Bay.

## HIS CONDITION IS SATISFACTORY

Quickly Recovers From Setback of Saturday. Caused by Over-exertion in Receiving Friends. Must Remain Under Nurse's Care for at Least Ten Days.

Chicago, October 20.—The advisability of permitting Colonel Roosevelt to depart to-morrow for Oyster Bay was debated at length to-day, and not until after his physicians had held a consultation to-night did they decide definitely that he might do so. He will leave for New York at 8:08 A. M.

Although Colonel Roosevelt's condition was described as normal throughout the day, it was learned that his wound had bled considerably, and that he was suffering from nervous exhaustion.

The ex-President's physicians insisted that both of these developments were to be expected, and that there was in them no cause for alarm. The bleeding, it was explained by Dr. Alexander Lambert, necessarily accompanied the discharge of serum, which is part of the healing process. Dr. Lambert also said that any patient who had been in bed for a week would suffer from nervous exhaustion, and that Colonel Roosevelt needed only to have absolute rest.

There is no cause for serious misgivings," said Dr. Arthur D. Bevan. "If Colonel Roosevelt is kept quiet." The physicians' evening bulletin, while reporting Colonel Roosevelt's condition as good, emphasized the need of absolute quiet.

The bulletin follows: 7:15 P. M.—Pulse, 72; temperature, 98.2; respiration, 18. Blood count normal.

"Colonel Roosevelt's general condition good. Respiratory movements comfortable. His general condition justifies his leaving the hospital for Oyster Bay, but it is deemed advisable in order to lessen the possibility of complications that he should not be disturbed in any way, and will not be allowed to see any one en route. He will be in charge of Dr. Alexander Lambert and Dr. Scurry L. Terrell. (Signed)

"JOHN B. MURPHY.  
"ARTHUR D. BEVAN.  
"ALEXANDER LAMBERT.  
"SCURRY L. TERRELL."  
Position of Bullet.